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## Interview Summary

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Examiner

Robert W. Wilson

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All participants (applicant, applicant's representative, PTO personnel):

(1) Robert W. Wilson.

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(2) Andy Harry.

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Date of Interview: 04 January 2006.

Type: a) ☐ Telephonic b) ☐ Video Conference  
c) ☐ Personal [copy given to: 1) ☐ applicant 2) ☐ applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) ☐ Yes e) ☐ No.  
If Yes, brief description: \_\_\_\_\_.

Claim(s) discussed: 1.

Identification of prior art discussed: \_\_\_\_\_.

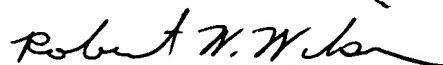
Agreement with respect to the claims f) ☐ was reached. g) ☐ was not reached. h) ☐ N/A.

Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: The examiner and applicant's representative discussed the justification for the 112/1<sup>st</sup> rejection. The examiner explained that "predetermined threshold was not in the specification" and that he interpreted "predetermined threshold to have a different meaning than "predetermined quantity" which was in the specification. No agreement was made relative to the allowability of the claim. The examiner is now awaiting the response.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

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Examiner's signature, if required